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In re Application of: Karl-Ernst MACK et al.

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Examiner: DANG, Thuan D. September 10, 2003

For: Method Of Hydrodechlorinating Nuclear-Chlorinated Ortho-Xylenes

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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In response to the Final Rejection mailed December 6, 2005, please consider this request for continued examination to remove the finality of the rejection and reconsider the subject application in view of the following remarks and amendments.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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